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REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on May 11, 2006, (Paper No. 05082006), Applicants elect Claim Group II with traverse. Claims 56 and 63-69 are readable on the elected Claim Group.

Applicants request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the Restriction Requirement since the claims were carefully amended in the previously filed amendment to include subject which the Examiner indicated was allowable. Given that each of the pending claims includes subject matter which was already searched, considered and found to be allowable there is no undue burden being placed on the Examiner if the Examiner were to consider the full set of pending claims in the current application.

Applicants request the that Examiner withdraw the restriction and consider the withdrawn claims in the same application as the claims elected of Claim Group II.

Conclusion

Applicants request that the Examiner withdraw the Restriction Requirement. However, regardless of whether or not the restriction requirement is withdrawn, it should be appreciated that the pending claims, including the Claims of Claim Group II which has been elected, are patentable for one or more of the reasons the Examiner found original claims 56, 62, and 67-71 to be directed to allowable subject matter as indicated in the October 25, 2005 Office Action.

If an extension of time is due, such an extension is requested and authorized to be charged to deposit account 50-1049 of Straub & Pokotylo.

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